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SUBJECT: FOURTH MEETING OF COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES ON
REOURCES, TOKYO MARCH 24-APRIL 4

REF: A. TOKYO 3901 B. TOKYO 3903

FROM USDEL

SUMMARY: BY FRIDAY MORNING (MARCH 28) CONFERENCE HAD BEGUN
CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA ITEM 6 (UN WATER CONFERENCE).

DEBATE ON ITEM 5 (UN REVOLVING FUND FOR NATURAL RESOURCES
EXPLORATION) CONCLUDED PREVIOUS DAY, AND ITEM 4B (SUPPLY-
DEMAND PROJECTIONS) CONCLUDED EARLY WEDNESDAY P.. ON ALL
ITEMS THUS FAR DEBATE HAS BEEN MODERATE, UNCONTROVERISAL,
AND LOW KEY. END SUMMARY.

1. NINETEEN DELEGATIONS, INCLUDING U.S., PRESENTED BRIEF
STATEMENTS ITEM 4B WHICH EMPHASIZED THE NEED FOR
IMPROVED PROJECTION METHODOLOGIES, BUT ADVOCATED A GO-
SLOW APPROACH BY THE UN SECRETARIAT, GIVEN THE COMPLEXITY
OF THE SUBJECT MATTER, THE LIMITED FINANCING THE UN CAN
APPLY TO THIS AREA, AND THE ABUNDANCE OF PROJECTIONS

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AND SUPPLY-DEMAND MODELS BEING DEVELOPED

THROUGHTOUT THE WORLD. THE U.S. DELEGATION RECOMMENDED THAT THE POLICY AND PROJECTIONS BRANCH OF THE CENTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES, ENERGY AND TRANSPORT, BE THE FOCAL POINT FOR ANY NEW UN PROGRAM INITIATIVE IN THIS FIELD AND THAT AN EXPERTS GROUP BE ESTABLISHED TO PROVIDE OUTSIDE TECHNICAL ADVICE AND GUIDANCE ON THE STATE-OF-THE-ART AND FUTURE NEEDS FOR RESOURCE PROJECTIONS TO THE POLICY AND PROJECTIONS BRANCH.

2. ABOUT 15 DELEGATIONS, MOSTLY LDC'S SPOKE ON THE UN REVOLVING FUND FOR NATURAL RESOURCES EXPLORATION. ALL EXPRESSED STRONG SUPPORT FOR IT, AND MOST EXPRESSED HOPE THAT UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL DURING 20TH MEETING IN JUNE WOULD TAKE NECESSARY STEPS TO MAKE FUND FULLY OPERATIONAL. SOME DELEGATIONS (LDC'S EXPRESSED VIEW THAT FUND'S FLAT 2 PERCENT REPLENISHMENT REQUIREMENT WOULD BE TOO SEVERE AND CALLED FOR A SLIDING SCALE INSTEAD. UNDP REP SAID THERE MIGHT BE A POSSIBILITY FOR "CERTAIN ADAPTATION" IN REPAYMENT REQUIREMENTS, BUT RECALLED THAT REPLENISHMENT CONTRIBUTION WILL BE BASED ON ACTUAL PRODUCTION. KENYA CALLED FOR VASTLY ENLARGED FUND, POINTING OUT THAT ONLY TWO COUNTRIES (JAPAN AND NETHERLANDS) HAD CONTRIBUTED THUS FAR. IRAQ STATED THAT MAIN BURDEN FOR THE FUND" SHOULD BE BORNE BY THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES." FRANCE EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT AT LDC DESIRE TO REDUCE REPLENISHMENT REQUIREMENT AND SAID SUCH STEP WOULD TAKE THE REVOLVING MECHANISM OUT OF THE REVOLVING FUND. U.S. MADE NO INTERVENTION ON THIS ITEM.

3. DEBATE ON ITEM 6 (UN WATER CONFERENCE) BEGAN THURSDAY P.. WITH 18 DELEGATIONS VIRTUALLY UNANIMOUS IN THEIR SUPPORT WAS EQUALLY STRONG FOR THE PROPOSED PREPARATORY ACTIVITIES, WHICH WOULD INCLUDE REGIONAL SEMINARS IN 1976, ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEES, AND DESIGNATION OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL PREPARATORY COMMITTEE. ONLY MAJOR DIFFERENCE IN VIEWS RELATES TO WHETHER CNR SHOULD BE CALLED INTO SPECIAL INTERSESSIONAL MEETING IN NEW YORK NEXT YEAR TO FUNCTION AS A PREPARATORY COMMITTEE OR WHETHER AD HOC BODY SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED. U.S. DELEGATION, IN BRIEF INTERVENTION, ENDORSED SMALL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AD HOC PREPARATORY COMMITTEE AND SUPPORTED OTHER PROPOSED PREPARATORY ACTIVITIES CITED ABOVE. U.S. ALSO CALLED FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS AND ANTICIPATED FUNDING SOURCES, URGED THE CONFERENCE SECRETARAT TO SEEK FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM A CROSS-SECTION OF UN ORGANIZATIONS, AND REQUESTED THAT SUPPORT FROM THE UN ENVIRONMENT FUND BE LIMITED TO FUNDING OF REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETINGS.

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